



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 1095

January Session, 2005

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AN ACT CONCERNING HOSPITAL PATIENTS' RIGHTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2005*) Each hospital, as defined
2 in section 19a-490 of the general statutes, shall notify each patient, or
3 where appropriate and permitted by state and federal privacy laws,
4 the patient's representative or guardian, upon such patient's admission
5 to the hospital, of the patient's rights identified in the federal
6 conditions of participation in Medicare for hospitals. Such notification
7 shall (1) be in writing, (2) specifically enumerate the rights identified in
8 the federal conditions of participation in Medicare for hospitals, and
9 (3) provide information regarding the means of redress or complaint
10 available to a patient who believes such patient's rights have been
11 violated, including, but not limited to, contact information for the
12 Department of Public Health.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>October 1, 2005</i>	New section
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PH Joint Favorable Subst.